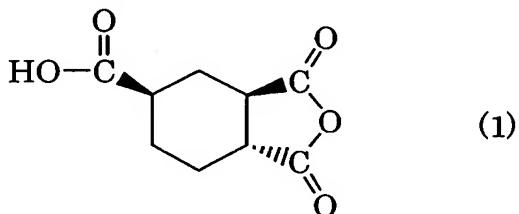


CLAIMS

WHAT IS CLAIMED IS:

1. Trans, trans-1,2,4-cyclohexanetricarboxylic acid-1,2-anhydride represented
5 by the following formula 1:



2. A cyclohexanetricarboxylic anhydride being liquid at ordinary
temperatures which comprises trans, trans-1,2,4-cyclohexanetricarboxylic acid-
1,2-anhydride as defined in claim 1.

3. The cyclohexanetricarboxylic anhydride being liquid at ordinary
temperatures according to claim 2, which has a color number of 100 Hazen or less.

4. A method of producing the cyclohexanetricarboxylic anhydride being liquid
at ordinary temperatures as defined in claim 2, which comprises a step of melting
1,2,4-cyclohexanetricarboxylic acid and/or 1,2,4-cyclohexanetricarboxylic acid-1,2-
15 anhydride at 180 to 300°C by heating.

5. The method according to claim 4, which further comprises a step of
purifying the cyclohexanetricarboxylic anhydride by distillation after the step of
melting by heating.